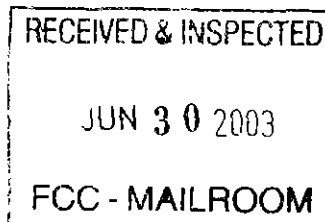




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RE: CC Docket No. 96-45  
Interstate Access Support Annual Filing  
IAS Certification

To Whom It May Concern.

Pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.809, Leaco Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. files its IAS certification due June 30, 2003.

Leaco Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. certifies that it will use its Universal Service Interstate Access Support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of Leaco Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. This certification is for the study area of:

| Company Name                            | State      | Study Area Code |
|---|------------|-----------------|
| Leaco Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. | New Mexico | 499002          |

Signed.

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